

HOUSE BILL No. 2634

By Committee on General Government Budget

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1 AN ACT concerning the Kansas state employees health care commission;
2 providing for payroll deductions for indemnity insurance; amending
3 K.S.A. 75-6521, 75-6522 and 75-6523 and repealing the existing
4 sections.

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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1. K.S.A. 75-6521 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-
8 6521. As used in K.S.A. 75-6521 through 75-6523, *and amendments*
9 *thereto:*

10 (a) "Commission" means the Kansas state employees health care
11 commission established pursuant to K.S.A. 75-6502, and amendments
12 thereto.

13 (b) "Director" means the director of accounts and reports.

14 (c) "Employee" means any person who is an elected or appointed
15 officer or any employee of the state in the classified service or unclassified
16 service under the Kansas civil service act, other than persons who are
17 employed on a seasonal or temporary basis.

18 (d) "Long-term care insurance" means any long-term care insurance
19 policy ~~which~~ *that* is authorized to be sold in the state of Kansas.

20 (e) *"Indemnity insurance" means any supplemental liability*
21 *insurance policy that protects an individual against loss arising from a*
22 *specific cause and that is authorized to be sold in the state of Kansas.*

23 (f) "State" means the state of Kansas and any state agency as defined
24 ~~in subsection (3) of~~ K.S.A. 75-3701(3), and amendments thereto.

25 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 75-6522 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-
26 6522. (a) The Kansas state employees health care commission shall offer
27 ~~to all employees~~ long-term care insurance and *indemnity insurance to all*
28 *employees*. The commission may enter into one or more group insurance
29 contracts to provide such ~~long-term care~~ insurance.

30 (b) ~~The Kansas state employees health care~~ commission is hereby
31 authorized to negotiate and enter into contracts with qualified insurers for
32 the purpose of providing long-term care insurance *and indemnity*
33 *insurance*. The commission shall advertise for proposals, shall negotiate
34 with not less than three firms or other parties submitting proposals, and
35 shall select from among those submitting proposals the firm or other
36 contracting party to contract with for the purpose of entering into contracts

1 for long-term care insurance *and indemnity insurance*.

2 (c) The provisions of K.S.A. 75-4317 ~~to through~~ 75-4320a, ~~inclusive,~~
3 and amendments thereto, shall not apply to meetings of the ~~Kansas state~~
4 ~~employees health care~~ commission when the commission meets solely for
5 the purpose of discussing and preparing strategies for negotiations for
6 contracts for long-term care insurance *or indemnity insurance*.

7 (d) Contracts entered into pursuant to this section shall not be subject
8 to the provisions of K.S.A. 75-3738 ~~to through~~ 75-3740, ~~inclusive,~~ and
9 amendments thereto. Such contracts may be for terms of not more than
10 three years and may be renegotiated and renewed. All such contracts shall
11 be subject to the limits of appropriations made or available therefor and
12 subject to the provisions of appropriations acts relating thereto.

13 (e) In exercising and performing the powers, duties and functions
14 prescribed by this section, the ~~Kansas state employees health care~~
15 commission may adopt rules and regulations and enter into such contracts
16 as may be necessary.

17 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 75-6523 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-
18 6523. (a) The purchase of long-term care insurance *and indemnity*
19 *insurance* by an employee shall be voluntary, and the cost of such
20 insurance shall be paid by the employee. The cost of such insurance for
21 such employee shall be established by the Kansas state employees health
22 care commission.

23 (b) Periodic deductions from state payrolls may be made in
24 accordance with procedures prescribed by the secretary of administration
25 to cover the costs of the long-term care insurance *and indemnity insurance*
26 payable *to* employees. All moneys deducted pursuant to this section shall
27 be remitted to the commission and deposited in the cafeteria benefits fund
28 in the manner provided by K.S.A. 75-6513, and amendments thereto.

29 Sec. 4. K.S.A. 75-6521, 75-6522 and 75-6523 are hereby repealed.

30 Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
31 publication in the statute book.